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SUBJECT: OECD DECLARATION ON RELATIONS WITH DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

FOLLOWING IS TEXT APPROVED BY MINISTERS MAY 28 OF OECD
DECLARATION ON RELATIONS WITH DEVELOPING COUNTRIES:
BEGIN TEXT:

1. MINISTERS OF OECD GOVERNMENTS MEETING IN PARIS ON
28TH MAY, 1975, DISCUSSED RELATIONS WITH DEVELOPING
COUNTRIES AND AGREED THAT, IN THE PRESENT SITUATION,
THE WIDEST MEASURE OF INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION IS
REQUIRED.

2. THEY CONSIDERED THAT WHILE MANY DEVELOPING COUNTRIES
HAVE MADE MAJOR PROGRESS IN THEIR ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL
DEVELOPMENT, A LARGE NUMBER OF THEM HAVE NOT BEEN IN A
POSITION TO ADVANCE SUFFICIENTLY AND MANY ARE STILL
FACED WITH EXTREMELY SEVERE PROBLEMS OF POVERTY.

3. RECALLING THE CONTRIBUTION WHICH THEIR COUNTRIES
HAVE MADE TO FURTHER THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OF THE
DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, MINISTERS RESOLVED TO INTENSIFY
THEIR EFFORTS TO CO-OPERATE WITH THESE COUNTRIES IN
THEIR ENDEAVOURS TO IMPROVE THE CONDITIONS OF LIFE OF
THEIR PEOPLE AND TO PARTICIPATE INCREASINGLY IN THE
BENEFITS OF AN IMPROVED AND EXPANDING WORLD ECONOMY.

4. GIVEN THE FACT OF WORLD ECONOMIC INTERDEPENDENCE,
THEY BELIEVED THAT PROGRESS COULD BEST BE MADE THROUGH
PRACTICAL MEASURES WHICH COMMAND WIDE SUPPORT AMONG ALL
CONCERNED - DEVELOPED AND DEVELOPING NATIONS ALIKE.

5. THEY DETERMINED TO CONSIDER POLICIES AIMED AT
STRENGTHENING THE POSITION OF THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES
IN THE WORLD ECONOMY AND EXPRESSED THEIR WILLINGNESS
TO DISCUSS WITH THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES THE RELEVANT
ISSUES, WITH PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON FOOD PRODUCTION,
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ENERGY, COMMODITIES, AND DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE FOR THE
MOST SERIOUSLY AFFECTED COUNTRIES.

6. THEY THEREFORE EXPRESSED THEIR FIRM DETERMINATION TO
PURSUE THE DIALOGUE WITH THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES IN ALL
APPROPRIATE FORA, IN PARTICULAR THE FORTHCOMING SEVENTH
SPECIAL SESSION OF THE UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY
AND IN MORE RESTRICTED FORA ALONG THE LINES SUGGESTED

BY THE PRESIDENT OF FRANCE, IN ORDER TO MAKE
REAL PROGRESS TOWARDS A MORE
BALANCED AND EQUITABLE STRUCTURE OF INTERNATIONAL
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